STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; diabetes is a chronic condition characterized by high blood sugar levels, and the most common types are type 1, type 2, and gestational diabetes; and

WHEREAS; type 1 diabetes is the most common form of diabetes in young people, affecting individuals of all ages and causing a lifelong dependence on injected or pumped insulin; and

WHEREAS; gestational diabetes, which can develop during pregnancy, affects up to ten percent of pregnancies in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS; diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in Wisconsin and nationwide, and costs the American economy approximately \$327 billion each year; and

WHEREAS; with more than one in ten American adults affected by the condition, diabetes and complications from diabetes affect all communities, but disproportionately affect older adults and Native American, Black, and Hispanic populations; and

WHEREAS; while an estimated one in three adults has prediabetes and is at a high risk for developing type 2 diabetes, almost all are unaware of their condition; and

WHEREAS; World Diabetes Day and Diabetes Awareness Month present an opportunity to increase community awareness of diabetes, as well as risk factors, symptoms, and management, with the goal of preventing and decreasing the adverse effects of prediabetes and diabetes in Wisconsin;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim November 14, 2020, as

WORLD DIABETES DAY

and November 2020 as

DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH

ut the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

F e Governor:

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 12th day of November 2020.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE Secretary of State